

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the Application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. ***(Previously Presented)*** A method for imaging a device, the method comprising the steps of:
creating an imaging server policy, wherein the imaging server policy comprises at least one rule that is applied to the device that receives or provides at least one image;
creating the at least one image of the device;
placing a representation of the at least one image of the device into a directory;
customizing the at least one image to form at least one customized image; and
placing the at least one customized image on the device.
2. ***(Previously Presented)*** The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of creating a device object to represent the device in the directory.
3. ***(Original)*** The method of claim 2 wherein at least one policy is associated with the device object.
4. ***(Previously Presented)*** The method of claim 2, wherein the at least one image is associated with the device object.
5. ***(Previously Presented)*** The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of associating the at least one image of the device with at least one object in the directory.
6. ***(Previously Presented)*** The method of claim 1, wherein the step of customizing the at least one image comprises storing a base image of the device in the directory, wherein at least one additional image is associated with the base image.

7. ***(Previously Presented)*** The method of claim 1, wherein the step of customizing the at least one image comprises defining one or more file sets, wherein the file sets are inserted into a corresponding one of the at least one image.

8. ***(Previously Presented)*** The method of claim 1, wherein the step of customizing the at least one image comprises inserting one or more application images associated with one or more user characteristics in a corresponding one of the at least one image.

9. ***(Original)*** The method of claim 1 wherein the device comprises a workstation.

10. ***(Previously Presented)*** The method of claim 5, wherein the step of associating the at least one image of the device with at least one object in the directory comprises establishing at least one relationship with at least one policy in the directory.

11. ***(Previously Presented)*** The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of directly associating an image object with a device object, wherein at least one specified image is applied to the device regardless of rules specified in at least one policy.

12. ***(Previously Presented)*** The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one rule is based on hardware characteristics of the device and wherein the at least one image associated with a matching rule is applied to the device.

13. ***(Previously Presented)*** A system for imaging a device, the system comprising:
an imaging server policy wherein the imaging server policy comprises at least one rule that is applied to the device that receives or provides at least one image;
creating means for creating the at least one image of the device;
placement means for placing a representation of the at least one image of the device into a directory;

customization means for customizing the at least one image to form at least one customized image; and

device placement means for placing the at least one customized image on the device.

14. ***(Previously Presented)*** The system of claim 13, further comprising a device object that represents the device in the directory.

15. ***(Original)*** The system of claim 14 wherein at least one policy is associated with the device object.

16. ***(Previously Presented)*** The system of claim 14 wherein the at least one image is associated with the device object.

17. ***(Previously Presented)*** The system of claim 13 further comprising association means for associating the at least one image of the device with at least one object in the directory.

18. ***(Previously Presented)*** The system of claim 13, wherein the customization means comprises storing means for storing a base image of the device in the directory and wherein at least one additional image is associated with the base image.

19. ***(Previously Presented)*** The system of claim 13, wherein the customization means comprises definition means for defining one or more file sets and wherein the one or more file sets are inserted into a corresponding one of the at least one image.

20. ***(Previously Presented)*** The system of claim 13 wherein the customization means comprises insertion means for inserting one or more application images associated with one or more user characteristics into a corresponding one of the at least one image.

21. **(Original)** The system of claim 13 wherein the device comprises a workstation.

22. **(Original)** The system of claim 17 wherein the association means comprises establishing means for establishing at least one relationship with at least one policy in the directory.

23. **(Previously Presented)** The system of claim 13 further comprising direct association means for directly associating an image object with a device object wherein at least one specified image is applied to the device regardless of rules specified in at least one policy.

24. **(Previously Presented)** The system of claim 13, wherein the at least one rule is based on hardware characteristics of the device and wherein at least one image associated with a matching rule is applied to the device.